

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A self-device on a network is designed not to be unintentionally operated from a remote device. For this purpose, in a network including a self-device for performing processing corresponding to a received AV/C command and one or more remote devices for sending out AV/C commands (excluding commands containing only statuses), the self-device has mode 1 of giving a high priority to control on itself and mode 2 of accepting control from remote devices as well. Mode 1 or mode 2 is set by a user. In mode 1, the self-device rejects AV/C commands supplied from the remote devices.